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SUBJ: ENTERPRISE TASK FORCE VISIT TO AUSTRALIA

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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED 6 JULY BY DEFENCE MINISTER KILLEN ON THE FORTHCOMING VISIT OF THE ENTERPRISE TASK FORCE TO AUSTRALIA. BEGIN TEXT. THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE MR. KILLEN ANNOUNCED TODAY (6 JULY) THAT A U.S. NAVAL TASK FORCE WOULD VISIT WESTERN AUSTRALIA FROM AUGUST 7 TO AUGUST 12. THE TASK FORCE WOULD COMPRISE THE NUCLEAR POWERED VESSELS USS ENTERPRISE, USS LONG BEACH AND USS TRUXTON AND THE SUPPORT VESSEL USS ROANOKE. THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT WAS FOR CREW REST AND RECREATION. WHILE IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA WATERS THE TASK FORCE WOULD EXERCISE WITH AUSTRALIAN DEFENSE FORCE UNITS. FURTHER DETAILS WOULD BE ANNOUNCED WHEN ARRANGEMENTS ARE COMPLETED. END TEXT.

2. APART FROM RADIO NEWS MENTION THE FOLLOWING MORNING 'JULY 7)

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WE SAW NO PRESS COVERAGE IN THE MAJOR EASTERN DAILIES. WE HAVE ASKED AMCONSUL PERTH TO PROVIDE, SEPARATELY, A REPORT ON MEDIA REACTION IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA.
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